FOR MYSORE STATE

Revenue (1953) Department

Ms. SERIES.

G.O. NO. 1816.

Dated 27th June 1953.

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Read the following:--

G.O.No.2482, Revenue, dated 5-9-1952.
From the Board of Revenue, Ref.A.5380/52-2, dated 2-4-1953.
Ref.A.5380/52-3, dated 1-5-1953.

ORDER:

In its reference first read above, the Board of Revenue has offered its remarks on the several questions detailed below, which have arisen as a result of the practical application of the orders issued by Government in their order No.2482 Ms., Revenue, dated 5-9-1952. The Government have examined the remarks made by the Board on these questions and pass the following orders thereon:--

(1) Whether village officers who have already been kept under suspension pending enquiry before the receipt of the G.O.No.2482, Revenue, dated 5-9-1952 should now be restored to office notwithstanding the fact that the punishment rolls against them have not been disposed of or whether the instructions in the G.O. are to be followed only in future?.

The Board of Revenue is informed that the instructions it has already issued to all Collectors in its reference A.5380/52-1 dated 2-4-1953 are in order as they correctly represent the Government's intention.

(2) Whether the orders in G.O.No.2482, Revenue, dated 5-9-1952 are applicable to non-statutory areas also?.

The Government agree with the Board that a specific instruction applicable to non-hereditary areas authorising suspension pending enquiry in its standing orders will be helpful to the Revenue Subordinate Officers. They accordingly approve the draft amendment to B.S.O.156 submitted by the Board with its reference read above.

(3) Whether it is necessary to provide for suspension pending enquiry in the Acts and the Rules?.

The Government have already examined this question but have not yet arrived at a final decision. The question of undertaking legislation on the lines suggested by the Board will be examined by Government in July 1953. The Board will be informed of the decisions of Government in due course.

(4) Whether departmental action against village officers should be deferred whenever criminal proceedings are pending against them in all cases and whether the instructions in the G.O. supersedes the instructions issued in B.Ps. of 1932 and 1937.

The attention of the Board of Revenue is invited to the orders already communicated to it in Government Memorandum No.95489-M/52-3, Revenue, dated 6-5-1953.

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5) Whether a substitute can be appointed in the vacancy when a headman or karnam is under remand in view of the fact that under section 10 of Act III of 1895 a vacancy can arise only by the death, dismissal, resignation, removal or suspension of the holder of the office?.

The Government approve the Board's proposal that a provision may be made in the Rules framed under Section 20 of Act III of 1895 authorising the appointment of substitutes in the place of Village Officers in remand and those who are absconding for one reason or other and so not available for duty. The Board is requested to submit a suitable draft rule in due course for the approval of Government.

(By order of the Governor)

S.K. CHETTUR,
Secretary to Government.

To
The Board of Revenue (L.R.).
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